

## **Use of Force Committee Meeting 04/25**

Attendees: Lt. Eric Sheldon, Andy Sexton, Lt. Col. Eric Henderson, Sgt. Jon Sopczak, Lt. Steve Bauer, Laura Zeck-Reveal, Jacob Wourms, Angelina Jackson, Torey Hollingsworth, Dr. Kevin Watt, and Donald Domineck attended in-person. Joe Parlette, Cheryl Scroggins, Rev. Dr. David Fox, and Dr. Carmen Culotta attended via Zoom.

Torey Hollingsworth called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

Torey Hollingsworth read the roll call.

Laura Zeck-Reveal reviewed the changes in the charter.

Questions: Angelina Jackson had a question related to the development of correspondence and the role of the Director of the Commission Office in the Use of Force Committee

Torey Hollingsworth responded that the Director of the Commission Office would function as a conduit to the Commission as well as assist with administrative duties. She also added that correspondence would be developed in a similar manner to the police reform working groups. Andy Sexton suggested a Sunshine Law Training to assist with understanding the duties related to being a public body.

Angelina Jackson and Jacob Wourms volunteered to be Chair and Vice-Chair, respectively. They were voted to be Chair and Vice-Chair by a vote of 7-0.

Angelina Jackson requested a motion to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2022 meeting. The motion was made and seconded. The minutes were approved with a vote of 7-0 on the condition of a correction to a spelling error.

### **Lt. Steve Bauer provided an overview and update of the Use of Force Working Group Recommendations and other relevant Police Reform Recommendations**

- Police Reform Overview
- Use of Force Working Group Recommendation Status

Questions: Angelina asked a question about the status of the use of Force recommendations with delayed ruling.

Torey Hollingsworth explained the recommendation process and the work that has been done to research the recommendations thus far. Torey Hollingsworth stated that she should be able to share an update soon as to the status of the recommendations with a delayed ruling.

- UOF Recommendations- Completed

Jacob Wourms asked a clarifying question about the difference between use of force and show of force. Andy Sexton responded that other examples of show of force include lights and sirens.

- UOF Recommendations- Completed-Ongoing

Angelina Jackson requested the body worn camera policy

- Use of Force Policy
- De-escalation
- Items related to the complaint process

Cheryl Scroggins asked a clarifying question related to the complaint process. Lt. Col. Henderson discussed how the Mediation Center is now the intake organization for complaints.

- Items related to de-escalation
- Items related to Independent Accountability Auditor

#### **Lt. Eric Sheldon reviewed the 2020 Use of Force Report**

- Use of force by shift
- Type of Force
- Service being rendered
- Use of force: race/sex of involved officer

Dr. Carmen Culotta asked if the use of force data is routinely analyzed. Lt. Col. Henderson responded that crime data is routinely analyzed; however, use of force data is not. Joe Parlette responded that the purpose of this committee was to receive their feedback and welcomes their input in the use of force report.

- 2020 Use of force: age of involved citizen

Dr. Kevin Watt suggested separating use of force incidents for minors and those that are 18-20 years old.

- Involved citizen's actions
- Use of counter-force relative to calls for service (CFS) and Assault on PO Resisting arrest/ FTC incidents
- Percent of resisting arrest crimes resulting in use of counter-force
- Use of counter-force/crime comparison
- Firearm discharge
  - o Firearm discharge subject injury status

Dr. Kevin Watt asked about the 2019 & 2020 data in comparison to prior data and suggested providing additional context for the firearm discharge data

- o Firearm discharge involved subject demographics

Torey Hollingsworth discussed follow up items such as the Citizen's Academy and ride alongs. She also mentioned changing the meeting time because it conflicts with other quarterly meetings.

Angelina Jackson asks for a motion to add a meeting on Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30pm. The motion was made and seconded. The motion was approved with a vote of 6-0-1. Rev. Dr. David Fox was not present during the vote.

Angelina Jackson asks for a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was moved and seconded. The motion was approved with a vote of 6-0-1. Rev. Dr. David Fox was not present during the vote.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05pm.